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**STATE OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYEE TRUST FUNDS
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CORRESPONDENCE MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 2, 2003

TO: Employee Trust Funds Board
Teachers Retirement Board
Wisconsin Retirement Board

FROM: Vicki Poole, Director of Legislation and Planning

SUBJECT: Legislative Report

The following is a listing of bills that affect Department of Employee Trust Funds operations and have been introduced or had action taken on them since the last Board meeting. Recent actions are listed in *italics* following the description of each bill.

AB 75 classifies employees of the Department of Military Affairs who perform security functions at weapons facilities owned by the state as protective occupation participants under the Wisconsin Retirement System.

Introduced by Rep. Musser. Referred to the Joint Survey Committee on Retirement Systems.

AB 76 classifies teachers and librarians employed at state correctional institutions, secured correctional facilities, the mental health institutes at Mendota and Winnebago, the Wisconsin Resource Center, or any secure mental health unit or facility for sexually violent persons as protective occupation participants under the WRS.

Introduced by Rep. Musser. Referred to Joint Survey Committee on Retirement Systems.

AB 77 provides that a participating employee in the WRS who terminates covered service on or after the effective date of the bill may receive creditable military services (under certain conditions) for active military service served at any time.

Introduced by Rep. Musser. Referred to Joint Survey Committee on Retirement Systems.

AB 262 authorizes cities, towns and villages to create combined protective services departments.

Introduced by Rep. Ziegelbauer. Referred to the Committee on Urban and Local Affairs.

SB 91 limits participation in the WRS for supreme court justices, court of appeals judges, circuit court judges and state elected officials whose initial terms of office were before the bill's effective date.

Introduced by Sen. Reynolds. Referred to the Joint Survey Committee on Retirement Systems.

SB 93 credits certain prior service in the U.S. maritime services in the WRS.

Introduced by Sen. Erpenbach. Referred to the Joint Survey Committee on Retirement Systems.

SB 164 amends and creates statutes allowing participation in the WRS for teaching assistants and project assistants employed by the UW System.

Introduced by Sen. Chvala. Referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, Veterans, and Military Affairs.